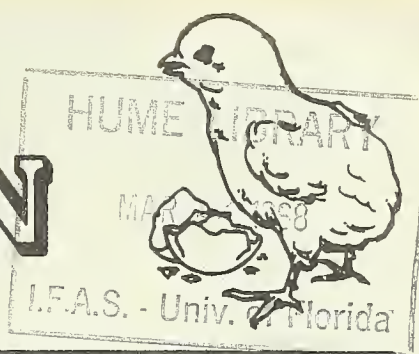


HATCHERY PRODUCTION

December 1967



January 16, 1968

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Chick Production

Hatcheries produced 239 million chicks during December 1967, a decrease of 6 percent from the 253 million in December 1966, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The number of broiler-type chicks hatched totaled 212 million, down 3 percent from a year earlier. During January through December 1967, there were 2,746 million broiler-type chicks hatched compared with 2,748 million in the same months last year. The number of broiler-type eggs in incubators on January 1, 1968 was the same as January 1, 1967.

The number of egg-type chicks hatched during December 1967 is estimated at 26.9 million, a decrease of 24 percent from a year earlier. All regions recorded decreases as follows: North Atlantic, 28 percent; North Central, 18 percent; South Atlantic, 36 percent; South Central, 24 percent, and West, 17 percent.

The hatch of egg-type chicks during the 12 months of 1967 totaled 537 million, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier. The number of egg-type eggs in incubators on January 1, 1968 was down 21 percent from January 1, 1967.

Poult Production

Poult production of all breeds during December 1967 totaled 3,322,000, down 28 percent from the December 1966 hatch of 4,623,000 poults. The hatch of heavy breed poults during December was 2,461,000, down 30 percent from a year earlier. Light breeds totaled 861,000, down 22 percent from December 1966. There were 136,900,000 poults hatched during the period January through December 1967, an increase of 5 percent from 1966. The number of heavy breed turkey eggs in incubators on January 1, 1968 was down 39 percent from January 1, 1967, and the number of light breed eggs in incubators on January 1 was down 24 percent. Total eggs in incubators for all breeds on January 1, 1968 were down 37 percent from a year earlier.

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Broiler and egg-type chicks hatched by commercial
hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Number chicks hatched		
	Broiler type	Egg type	Total
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>
December 1966	218,119	35,363	253,482
November 1967	210,855	26,743	237,598
December 1967	211,774	26,851	238,625
Jan.-December 1966	2,747,592	569,333	3,316,925
Jan.-December 1967	2,745,524	536,540	3,282,064
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
December 1967 as per- cent of Dec. 1966	97	76	94
Jan.-December 1967 as percent of Jan.- December 1966	100	94	99

Chicken eggs in incubators January 1, 1968

Geographic division	January 1, 1968 as a percent of January 1, 1967		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
North Atlantic	100	75	92
East North Central	71	80	75
West North Central	67	89	79
South Atlantic	99	73	97
South Central	104	79	102
West	90	83	87
48 States	100	79	97
United States <u>1/</u>	100	79	97

1/ Includes Hawaii.

Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries, United States

Month and year	Total breeds		
	Heavy	Light	All
	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>	<u>Thousands</u>
December 1966	3,513	1,110	4,623
November 1967	1,849	897	2,746
December 1967	2,461	861	3,322
January-December 1966	112,525	18,424	130,949
January-December 1967	120,709	16,191	136,900
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Dec. 1967 as percent of December 1966	70	78	72
January-December 1967 as percent of January- December 1966	107	88	105

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubator

Geographic divisions	Total breeds ^{1/}					
	Heavy breeds		Light breeds		All breeds	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
<u>Poults hatched during December</u>						
North Atlantic	10	10	2	1	12	11
East North Central	159	186	109	65	268	251
West North Central	477	381	638	492	1,115	873
South Atlantic	739	858	257	164	996	1,022
South Central	916	448	9	29	925	477
West	1,212	578	95	110	1,307	688
United States	3,513	2,461	1,110	861	4,623	3,322
<u>Turkey eggs in incubator January 1</u>	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
North Atlantic	29	13	0	0	29	13
East North Central	404	310	141	100	545	410
West North Central	2,733	1,702	762	528	3,495	2,230
South Atlantic	1,366	1,597	435	321	1,801	1,918
South Central	2,106	1,215	0	42	2,106	1,257
West	3,627	1,417	163	157	3,790	1,574
United States	10,265	6,254	1,501	1,148	11,766	7,402
	<u>Percent</u>		<u>Percent</u>		<u>Percent</u>	
January 1968 as percent of January 1967 U. S.	61		76		63	

^{1/} Heavy breeds include Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, crosses between heavy and light breeds, bronze and other heavy breeds. Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, and wild Turkeys.

State and division	Broiler-type				Egg-type	
	December		January-December		December	
	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	6,292	6,108	76,293	77,347	436	307
N.H.	566	514	7,392	6,938	208	178
Vt.	---	0	1	0	0	6
Mass. & R. I. 1/	748	616	9,784	8,728	586	381
Conn.	1,211	941	15,069	12,814	309	302
N.Y.	10	2/	620	2/	1,870	1,550
N.J.	68	2/	1,210	2/	395	115
Pa.	4,382	4,572	54,129	56,863	1,388	885
N. A.	13,277	2/ 12,834	164,498	2/ 163,996	5,192	3,724
Ohio	450	400	7,300	6,131	1,530	600
Ind.	1,987	1,696	28,536	22,945	1,829	1,908
Ill.	15	0	681	363	1,117	992
Mich.	430	3/	5,140	3/	850	900
Wis.	1,126	1,075	14,626	14,475	322	340
Minn.	667	720	9,202	9,771	851	706
Iowa	40	20	2,055	1,817	470	310
Mo.	1,754	1,424	28,797	22,173	415	334
N.Dak.	4/	3/	4/	3/	0	0
S.Dak.	4/	3/	4/	3/	210	59
Nebr.	4	2	1,984	1,829	219	110
Kans.	1	0	483	543	185	260
N. C.	4/ 6,475	3/ 5,358	4/ 99,545	3/ 84,987	7,998	6,519
Del.	8,426	7,888	106,930	107,282	5/	5/
Md.	14,873	14,993	183,410	181,457	5/	5/
Va.	4,816	4,849	65,371	65,406	452	330
W.Va.	485	322	5,992	5,211	5/	5/
N.C.	23,070	20,767	275,722	274,064	595	333
S.C.	1,274	1,327	16,003	18,549	412	317
Ga.	39,937	38,407	519,166	496,933	2,558	1,580
Fla.	2,320	3,687	24,834	40,604	2,718	1,775
S. A.	95,201	92,240	1,197,428	1,189,506	5/ 6,811	5/ 4,351
Ky.	6/	6/	6/	6/	216	169
Tenn.	3,717	2,312	47,417	34,611	504	485
Ala.	25,311	27,620	335,713	342,483	1,100	900
Miss.	14,875	15,644	185,684	194,914	1,233	909
Ark.	32,125	29,188	388,217	398,490	2,194	1,848
La.	3,599	3,588	39,784	44,588	201	245
Okla.	6/	6/	6/	6/	171	65
Texas	12,453	13,301	156,255	166,970	2,547	1,618
S. C.	6/ 92,560	6/ 91,914	6/ 1,161,308	6/ 1,186,740	8,166	6,239
Idaho	529	486	5,222	5,683	45	31
Colo.	1	5	285	250	131	160
Utah	133	70	2,557	1,634	193	51
Wash.	2,032	1,871	25,281	25,561	888	847
Oreg.	1,088	1,001	14,301	13,427	193	166
Calif.	6,731	5,930	74,549	72,586	5,424	4,427
West.	7/ 10,532	7/ 9,363	7/ 122,581	7/ 119,352	7/ 7,129	7/ 5,948
48 States	218,045	211,709	2,745,360	2,744,581	35,296	26,781
Alaska	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hawaii	74	65	1,232	943	67	70
U. S.	218,119	211,774	2,746,592	2,745,524	35,363	26,851

1/ Massachusetts and Rhode Island combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

2/ North Atlantic total includes New York and New Jersey to avoid disclosing individual operations.

3/ North Central total includes Michigan, North and South Dakota to avoid disclosing individual operations.

4/ North Central total includes North Dakota and South Dakota to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Egg-type		Total				
	January-December		December		January-December		
	1966	1967	Average 1961-65		1967	1966	1967
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Maine	6,296	6,859	5,528	6,728	6,415	82,589	84,206
N. H.	2,866	2,618	967	774	692	10,258	9,556
Vt.	137	100	18	0	6	138	100
Mass. & R. I. 1/	9,397	7,950	1,278	1,334	997	19,181	16,678
Conn.	5,380	4,711	1,978	1,520	1,243	20,449	17,525
N. Y.	24,370	22,780	1,424	1,880	2/	24,990	2/
N. J.	6,765	4,105	613	463	2/	7,975	2/
Pa.	28,137	21,899	5,518	5,770	5,457	82,266	78,762
N. A.	83,348	71,022	17,323	18,469	2/ 16,558	247,846	2/ 235,018
Ohio	23,970	19,435	1,650	1,980	1,000	31,270	25,566
Ind.	27,629	35,035	3,915	3,816	3,604	56,165	57,980
Ill.	22,511	21,695	729	1,132	992	23,192	22,058
Mich.	12,550	11,950	1,056	1,280	3/	17,690	3/
Wis.	7,515	6,805	1,113	1,448	1,415	22,141	21,280
Minn.	24,956	22,841	1,297	1,518	1,426	34,158	32,612
Iowa	28,670	27,220	473	510	330	30,725	29,037
Mo.	15,764	15,668	3,985	2,169	1,758	44,561	37,841
N. Dak.	1,468	1,304	4/	4/	3/	4/	3/
S. Dak.	9,300	8,157	4/	4/	3/	4/	3/
Nebr.	11,566	9,293	103	223	112	13,550	11,122
Kans.	6,622	5,900	294	186	260	7,105	6,443
N. C.	192,521	185,303	4/14,694	4/14,473	3/11,877	4/292,066	3/270,290
Del.	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Md.	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
Va.	8,021	6,200	5,378	5,268	5,179	73,392	71,606
W. Va.	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/	5/
N. C.	10,424	9,610	17,650	23,665	21,100	286,146	283,674
S. C.	8,856	8,087	1,715	1,686	1,644	24,859	26,636
Ga.	37,933	32,959	34,370	42,495	39,987	557,099	529,892
Fla.	28,602	32,939	2,768	5,038	5,462	53,436	73,543
S. A.	5/95,235	5/90,993	5/81,500	5/102,012	5/96,591	5/1,292,663	5/1,280,499
Ky.	3,806	3,543	395	6/	6/	6/	6/
Tenn.	9,933	8,281	3,658	4,221	2,797	57,350	42,892
Ala.	15,140	14,252	20,301	26,411	28,520	350,853	356,735
Miss.	16,135	15,598	13,522	16,108	16,553	201,819	210,512
Ark.	21,252	20,601	23,472	34,319	31,036	409,469	419,091
La.	3,427	3,234	2,489	3,800	3,833	43,211	47,822
Okla.	3,986	4,576	545	6/	6/	6/	6/
Texas	31,812	28,501	12,499	15,000	14,919	189,067	195,471
S. C.	105,491	98,586	76,883	6/100,726	6/98,153	6/1,267,799	6/1,285,326
Idaho	1,068	923	402	574	517	6,290	6,606
Colo.	2,133	1,919	115	132	165	2,418	2,169
Utah	1,768	1,554	207	326	121	4,325	3,188
Wash.	11,476	12,110	1,947	2,920	2,718	36,757	37,671
Oreg.	2,888	3,385	1,161	1,281	1,167	17,189	16,812
Calif.	69,208	65,754	10,518	12,155	10,357	143,757	138,340
West	7/92,079	7/90,079	7/14,552	7/17,661	7/15,311	214,660	7/209,431
48 States	568,674	535,983	204,953	253,341	238,490	3,315,034	3,280,564
Alaska	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hawaii	659	557	180	141	135	1,891	1,500
U. S.	569,333	536,540	205,133	253,482	238,625	3,316,925	3,282,064

5/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia to avoid disclosing individual operations.

6/ South Central total includes Kentucky and Oklahoma to avoid disclosing individual operations.

7/ West total includes Montana, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona and Nevada to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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